# BUPERS/NPC SAFETY

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# At work, at play, let safety lead the way.

### Safety tips from Navy Personnel Command

#### **Summer 2015 Fatalities**

In 2015, Between Memorial Day and Labor Day:

14 Sailors and12 Marines lost their lives



Impact: 26 trained and ready Sailors and Marines are no longer with us.

- 18 fatal traffic mishaps
  - 10 were motorcycles
- 8 died during recreational activities
  - 4 drowning's (hiking and swept off trail by wave, boating, swimming)
  - 2 falls (balcony, barracks)
  - 1 dune buggy wreck (2 fatalities)
  - 1 alcohol

# **Defensive Riding**

- More riders being hit by cars
- Not just visibility traffic position and awareness are critical
- Riders must protect a clear path of travel
- Drivers must reduce in-vehicle distractions
- Drivers must be more aware of motorcycles, pedestrians and bicycles



## LINKS

OSHA http://osha.gov/

ESAMS https://esams.cnic.navy.mil/ ESAMS\_GEN\_2/LoginESA MS.aspx

Naval Safety Center http://www.public.navy.mil/ comnavsafecen/Pages/index.aspx

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## **Motorcycle Fatality Trends**

- 2 of 10 involved speeding
- 6 of 10 riders were at fault
- 6 of 10 lost control and were single-vehicle
- 4 of 10 below 26 years of age
- 8 of 10 during daylight hours



## New Year, Same Rules



- All Sailors and Marines who ride must take the Basic Rider Course.
- All sportbike riders must take the Military
   Sportbike Rider Course
   days after completing the BRC.

# It Still Applies To You...

- All cruiser riders must take the Experienced Rider Course.
- Refresher training is required every three years.
- See your command Motorcycle Safety Representative to sign up for classes



## BUPERS/NPC Safety Statistics 5/31-9/1/2015-Reported:

PRT/PT-5
Recreational Event-Command sponsored-5
Recreation-3
Fall, slip, trip-4
Vehicle-1
Other-2

While BUPERS/NPC has been fortunate that we haven't experienced any severe mishaps, as you can see from the above numbers, 20 of our personnel did have mishaps last year during the Critical Days of Summer. These are not just numbers, they are coworkers, family and friends. When personnel are involved in mishaps others have to pick up their duties. This affects our core mission of manning the fleet.

Do your part in manning the fleet by implementing risk control measures this year to reduce the probability of being in a mishap. Look out for yourself, your coworkers and your family. They depend on you to be there for them.

- All military and civilian personnel attached to a BUPERS UIC are required by policy, to have a valid ESAMS account. For assistance, please call 901-874-2331.
- OPNAVINST 5100.12J requires all military personnel who operate a motorcycle on/off base to attend a COM-NAVSAFECEN approved motorcycle rider safety course. Class schedules can be found in ESAMS or at www.navymotorcyclerider.com.
- 3. OPNAVINST 5100.12J also states that all military personnel under the age of 26 must receive an initial 4 hour traffic safety training course upon entrance into the USN. Additionally, all military personnel under the age of 26 must receive two hours of annual refresher traffic safety training. This training can be completed in ESAMS.